California Department of Fish and Wildlife



LIVESTOCK LOSS DETERMINATION

Investigation ID: 101822-SIS

Date Investigated: 10/18/22

Cause of Death:

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	Probable Wolf
	Possible Wolf
	Non-Wolf Depredation
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	Unknown

General Area: Eastern Siskiyou County, private land

General situation and animal information: On the morning of October 18, a rancher informed CDFW of a 600 lb. yearling heifer cattle carcass that they thought appeared to have been killed by wolves. CDFW and Siskiyou County wildlife specialists investigated the carcass that day. The yearling was estimated to have died in the early morning hours, and the carcass was in sufficient condition to allow a thorough investigation.

Physical evidence of wolf predation: The carcass had large external tooth rakes matched with muscle hemorrhage on all 4 legs and the right flank. The wound locations and sizes were consistent with wolf attack.

Evidence of wolf presence near the time of the animal(s) death/injury: Wolf tracks were present near the carcass.

Summary: Evidence indicated the yearling was killed by wolves sometime in the early morning hours of October 18.

